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System, Protocol (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Express Mail Label No. Assistant Commissioner for Patents **APPLICATION ELEMENTS** ADDRESS TO: Box Patent Application See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents. Washington, DC 20231 Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17) CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or (Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing Computer Program (Appendix) Applicant claims small entity status. 8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission See 37 CFR 1.27. (if applicable, all necessary) Specification [Total Pages | (preferred arrangement set forth below) Computer Readable Form (CRF) Descriptive title of the invention Specification Sequence Listing on: - Cross Reference to Related Applications i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix Statements verifying identity of above copies - Background of the Invention - Brief Summary of the Invention ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed) Detailed Description 9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) - Claim(s) 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of - Abstract of the Disclosure 10. (when there is an assignee) Attorney 11. English Translation Document (if applicable) Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets Copies of IDS Information Disclosure 12. 5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages Citations Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 **Preliminary Amendment** Newly executed (original or copy) Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed) 13. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) 14. (Should be specifically itemized) Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed) **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)** 15 Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 16. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b). (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76 Other: 18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76: Continuation Divisional Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.:_ Prior application information: Group Art Unit: For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts. Customer Number or Bar Code Label Correspondence address below Name Address State Zip Code City 860 .444. 2652 Country Telephone Fax

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Enclosed please find the specification, drawings, forms, and related documentation regarding my patent entitled "System, Protocol, and Methods for the Creation of Distributed Spreadsheets".

This nonprovisional patent application claims the filing date benefit conferred by two provisional patent applications I filed previously. They are entitled "Distributed spreadsheet server" and "Distributed spreadsheet protocol", application numbers 60/292,263 and 60/292,264 respectively, entered by Berhanu Girum of team OIPE on 07/13/2001. I was unable to identify which form or section was required to claim the benefit of provisional applications, and therefore resort to this somewhat nonstandard approach.

I am an independent inventor filing as a small entity. I expect there will be some problems with my application due to my inexperience and lack of fluency in legalese; however, I hope that you will be kind enough to guide me past these obstacles when they may arise.

My email address is $\underline{d_burfoot@hotmail.com}$, and this is the best means to reach me. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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